

Public Law 637

CHAPTER 479

AN ACT

June 29, 1956
[H. R. 10003]

Making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, and for other purposes.

FEDERAL PAYMENT TO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there are appropriated for the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, out of (1) the general fund of the District of Columbia (unless otherwise herein specifically provided), hereinafter known as the general fund, such fund being composed of the revenues of the District of Columbia other than those applied by law to special funds, and \$20,000,000 which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1956, and of which \$7,000,000 shall be available for capital outlay only), (2) the highway fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 47, ch. 19), (3) the water fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 43, ch. 15), and \$1,813,950, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1956), (4) the sanitary sewage works fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (Public Law 364, 83d Congress), and \$744,700, which is hereby appropriated for the purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (to be advanced July 1, 1956), and (5) the motor vehicle parking fund (when designated as payable therefrom), established by law (D. C. Code, title 40, ch. 8), sums as shown herein; and there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$10,700,000, which, together with balances of previous appropriations for this purpose, shall remain available until expended, for loans authorized by the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 101), to be advanced upon request of the Commissioners to the following funds: highway fund, \$5,400,000, and water fund, \$5,300,000.

District of Co-
lumbia Appropria-
tion Act, 1957.68 Stat. 104,
D. C. Code 43-
1602.

56 Stat. 93.

68 Stat. 103,
D. C. Code 43-
1540.

OPERATING EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the offices and agencies named under this general head:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Executive office, plus so much as may be necessary to compensate the Engineer Commissioner at a rate equal to each civilian member of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, hereafter in this Act referred to as the Commissioners; compensation and expenses of members of the Apprenticeship Council and the Redevelopment Land Agency; aid in support of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; general advertising in newspapers (including the District of Columbia Register) and legal periodicals in the District of Columbia but not elsewhere, unless the need for advertising outside the District of Columbia shall have been specifically approved by the Commissioners, including notices of public hearings, publication of orders and regulations, tax and school notices, and notices of changes in regulations; expenses of Youth Council, Board of Elections, and Board of Appeals and Review; ceremony expenses; carrying out a comprehensive program for urban

renewal and slum clearance, by contract or otherwise, as may be determined by the Commissioners; and expenses in case of emergency, such as riot, pestilence, public insanitary conditions, flood, fire, or storm, and for expenses of investigations; \$323,000: *Provided*, That the certificate of the Commissioners shall be sufficient voucher for the expenditure of \$1,500 of this appropriation for such purposes, exclusive of ceremony expenses, as they may deem necessary.

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Department of General Administration, including the rental of postage meters and affiliation with the National Safety Council, Incorporated, \$3,475,000, of which \$75,190 shall be payable from the highway fund, \$15,000 from the water fund, \$2,950 from the sanitary sewage works fund, and \$800 from the motor vehicle parking fund: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for advertising, for not more than once a week for two weeks in the regular issue of one newspaper published in the District of Columbia, the list of all taxes on real property, water charges, sanitary sewer service charges, and all special assessments, together with penalties and costs, in arrears, the cost of such advertising to be reimbursed to the general fund by a charge to be fixed annually by the Commissioners for each lot or piece of property advertised: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall be available for refunding, wholly or in part, school tuition, lost library books, building permits, cigarette and alcoholic beverage tax stamps, occupational and professional fees which have not been earned, and other payments which have been erroneously made during the present and past three years: *Provided further*, That, for the purpose of assessing and reassessing real property in the District of Columbia, \$10,000 of this appropriation shall be available for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individuals not in excess of \$100 per diem.

60 Stat. 810.

OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

Office of the Corporation Counsel, including extra compensation for the corporation counsel as general counsel of the Public Utilities Commission; \$10,000 for the settlement of claims not in excess of \$250 each in accordance with the Act of February 11, 1929 (45 Stat. 1160), as amended by the Act of June 5, 1930 (46 Stat. 500); and judicial expenses, including witness fees and expert services, in District of Columbia cases before the courts of the United States and of the District of Columbia; \$480,000, of which \$20,000 shall be payable from the highway fund.

D.C. Code 1-902.

COMPENSATION AND RETIREMENT FUND EXPENSES

Compensation and retirement fund expenses, including District government employees' compensation; administrative expenses, workmen's compensation, to be transferred to the Bureau of Employees' Compensation for administration of the law providing compensation for disability or death resulting from injury to employees in certain employments in the District of Columbia; unemployment compensation for District government employees; financing the liability of the government of the District of Columbia to the "Civil service retirement and disability fund" and the "Teachers' retirement and annuity fund"; and relief and other allowances as authorized by law for policemen and firemen; \$11,100,000, of which \$2,633,000, including \$210,300 payable from the highway fund, \$91,700 from the water fund, \$80,400

from the sanitary sewage works fund, and \$6,700 from the motor vehicle parking fund, shall be paid by voucher and deposited to the credit of the "Civil service retirement and disability fund": *Provided*, That \$260,000 for District government employees' compensation shall remain available until expended.

REGULATORY AGENCIES

Regulatory agencies, including juror fees, and repairs to the morgue, \$1,058,440.

DEPARTMENT OF OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS

Department of Occupations and Professions, including compensation at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners of three members of the Board of Accountancy, five members of the Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects, two members of the Board of Barber Examiners, three members of the Board of Cosmetology, five members of the Board of Dental Examiners, five members of the Board of Examiners in the Basic Sciences, five members of the Board of Examiners in Medicine and Osteopathy, five members of the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers, five members of the Nurses' Examining Board, five members of the Board of Optometry, five members of the Board of Pharmacy, three members of the Board of Podiatry Examiners, two members of the Real Estate Commission, five members of the Board of Examiners of Veterinary Medicine, two members of the District Boxing Commission, four members of the Electrical Examining Board, two members of the Plumbing Board, two members of the Board of Examiners of Steam and Other Operating Engineers, one member of the Motion Picture Operators' Examining Board, two members of the Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Board, and five members of the Undertakers' Examining Committee, \$262,000.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Public schools, including the education of foreigners of all ages in the Americanization schools; not to exceed \$65,000 for the purchase, cleaning, and repair of athletic apparel and accessories; subsistence supplies for pupils enrolled in classes for crippled children; maintenance and instruction of deaf, mute and blind children of the District of Columbia by contract entered into by the Commissioners upon recommendation by the Board of Education of the District of Columbia; transportation of children attending schools or classes established for physically handicapped pupils; distribution of surplus commodities and relief milk to public and charitable institutions, and for the carrying out, under regulations to be prescribed by the Board of Education, of a "penny milk" program for the school children of the District, including the purchase and distribution of milk under agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture; \$350,908 for development of vocational education in the District of Columbia in accordance with the Act of June 8, 1936, as amended; operation, repair, maintenance and improvement of public school buildings, grounds and equipment; purchase of equipment including not to exceed \$25,000 for the purchase and repair of musical instruments and related equipment and supplies; and purchase, operation, repair, maintenance and insurance of passenger-carrying motor vehicles, including District-owned or borrowed passenger motor vehicles; \$32,515,750, of which \$3,000 shall be available for the services of

60 Stat. 810.

experts and consultants as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates not exceeding \$50 per diem plus travel expenses for such individuals: *Provided*, That the compensation for summer school personnel may be charged to the appropriation for the fiscal year in which the pay periods end: *Provided further*, That collections from the milk program shall be paid to the Collector of Taxes, District of Columbia, for deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the District.

Double salaries.
39 Stat. 120.
5 USC 58, 59.

Section 6 of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation Act, approved May 10, 1916, as amended, shall not apply from July 1 to August 25, 1956, to teachers of the public schools of the District of Columbia when employed by any of the branches of the United States Government.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Public Library, including recordings and educational films; repairs to buildings; and care of grounds; \$1,783,000.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Recreation Department, for operation and maintenance of recreation facilities in and for the District of Columbia, \$1,903,000.

METROPOLITAN POLICE

Metropolitan Police, including the inspector in charge of the traffic division with the rank and pay of deputy chief; one captain who shall be assigned to the traffic division with the rank and pay of inspector; one inspector who shall be property clerk; the lieutenants in command of the homicide squad, robbery squad, general assignment squad, special investigation squad, with the rank and pay of captain while so assigned; the detective sergeants in command of the automobile squad, and the check and fraud squad with the rank and pay of lieutenant while so assigned; the detective sergeant assigned as administrative assistant to the chief of detectives with the rank and pay of lieutenant while so assigned; the present acting sergeant in charge of police automobiles with the rank and pay of sergeant; the present sergeant in charge of the police radio station with the rank and pay of lieutenant; the present sergeant in charge of purchasing and accounts with the rank and pay of lieutenant; the lieutenant in charge of the Metropolitan Police Boys' Club with the rank and pay of captain; the lieutenant assigned as harbor master with the rank and pay of captain; not to exceed one detective in the salary grade of captain; civilian crossing guards including uniforms and equipment, at rates of pay and hours of employment to be fixed by the Commissioners; compensation of civilian trial board members at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; allowances for privately owned automobiles used by deputy chiefs and inspectors in the performance of official duties at \$480 per annum for each automobile; rewards for fugitives; photographs, rental, purchase, and maintenance of radio and teletype systems; expenses of attendance, without loss of pay or time, at specialized police training classes and pistol matches, including tuition and entrance fees; expenses of the police training school, including travel expenses of visiting lecturers or experts in criminology; expenses of traffic school; official equipment, including cleaning, alteration, and repair of articles transferred from one individual to another, or damaged in the performance of duty; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; and the maintenance of a suitable place for the reception and detention of girls and women over seventeen

years of age, arrested by the police on charge of offense against any laws in force in the District of Columbia, or held as witnesses or held pending final investigation or examination, or otherwise; \$13,773,000, of which amount \$1,837,000 shall be payable from the highway fund and \$43,300 from the motor vehicle parking fund, and \$35,000 shall be exclusively available for expenditure by the Chief of Police for prevention and detection of crime, under his certificate approved by the Commissioners, and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the sum therein expressed to have been expended.

ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL SERVICES, INAUGURAL CEREMONIES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Metropolitan Police (additional municipal services, inaugural ceremonies), to enable the Commissioners to provide additional municipal services in said District from January 15 to January 24, 1957, both inclusive, including employment of personal services without regard to the civil-service and classification laws; payment at basic salary rates for services performed by officers and members of the police and fire departments in excess of the regular tours of duty (but not to exceed a total of sixteen hours overtime pay to any individual officer or member performing service within such period); travel expenses of enforcement personnel from other jurisdictions; hire of means of transportation; meals for policemen and firemen; cost of removing and relocating streetcar loading platforms; construction, rent, maintenance, and expenses incident to the operation of temporary public comfort stations, first-aid stations, and information booths; and other incidental expenses in the discretion of the Commissioners; \$155,000.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Department, including compensation of civilian trial board members at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; official equipment, including cleaning, alteration, and repair of articles transferred from one individual to another or damaged in the performance of duty; purchase and maintenance of radio equipment; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds; \$6,755,000: *Provided*, That hereafter the Commissioners in their discretion may authorize the construction, in whole or in part, of fire-fighting apparatus in the Fire Department repair shop.

VETERANS SERVICE CENTER

Veterans services, \$98,500.

OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Office of Civil Defense, \$78,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$50,000 of any funds from appropriations available to the District of Columbia may be used to match financial contributions from the Federal Civil Defense Administration to the District of Columbia Office of Civil Defense for the purchase of civil defense equipment and supplies approved by the Federal Civil Defense Administration, when authorized by the Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, \$147,000.

COURTS

Courts, including pay of retired judges; lodging and meals for jurors, bailiffs and deputy United States marshals while in attendance upon jurors, when ordered by the courts; meals for prisoners; and reimbursement to the United States for services rendered to the District of Columbia by the Judiciary, General Services Administration, and the Department of Justice; \$3,972,000, of which \$22,200 shall be available for payment to the United States Public Health Service for furnishing psychiatric service to the Juvenile Court, including the detail of necessary medical and other personnel, and \$262,200 shall be available for advances on reimbursement to the General Services Administration for one-half of the cost of operation, maintenance, and repair of the Federal Courts Building, as provided in the Act of May 14, 1948 (62 Stat. 235): *Provided*, That deposits made on demands for jury trials in accordance with rules prescribed by the Municipal Court under authority granted in section 11 of the Act approved March 3, 1921 (41 Stat. 1312), shall be earned unless, prior to three days before the time set for such trials, including Sundays and legal holidays, a new date for trial be set by the court, cases be discontinued or settled, or demands for jury trials be waived.

D. C. Code 11-105.

D. C. Code 11-722.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Department of Public Health, including fees to physicians under contracts to be made by the Director of Public Health and approved by the Commissioners, manufacture of serum in indigent cases, allowances for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official duties by dairy-farm inspectors at the rate of 7 cents per mile but not more than \$840 per annum for each automobile, subsistence in lieu of salary for the full-time employment of persons for the purpose of securing training and experience in their future vocations; not to exceed \$1,000 for attendance without loss of pay or time at specialized medical or public health training courses or institutes, tuition and entrance fees, and travel expenses and fees for visiting lecturers or experts in public health and related fields; compensation of consulting physicians and dentists at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners, compensation of convalescent patients to be employed in essential work and as an aid to their rehabilitation at rates and under conditions to be determined by the Commissioners (but nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as conferring employee status on patients whose services are so utilized), not to exceed \$1,000 for financial assistance for needy patients as determined by the Superintendent of Glenn Dale Hospital at rates established by the Commissioners, not to exceed \$1,200 for fire prevention and protective services rendered to Glenn Dale Hospital under conditions to be determined by the Commissioners, purchase of passenger motor vehicles, training school for nurses, repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds, reimbursement to the United States for services rendered to the District of Columbia by Freedmen's Hospital, and for care and treatment of indigent patients under contracts to be made by the Director of Public Health of the District of Columbia and approved by the Commissioners with Central Dispensary and Emergency Hospital, Children's Hospital, Eastern Dispensary and Casualty Hospital, Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, Garfield Memorial Hospital, George Washington University Hospital, Georgetown University Hospital, Provi-

dence Hospital, Washington Home for Incurables, and Children's Convalescent Home, \$25,503,400: *Provided*, That the inpatient rate under such contracts and for services rendered by Freedmen's Hospital shall not exceed \$14 per diem and the outpatient rate shall not exceed \$2.40 per visit: *Provided further*, That amounts to be determined by the Commissioners may be expended for special services in detecting adulteration of drugs and foods, including candy and milk and other products and services subject to inspection by the Department of Public Health: *Provided further*, That employees using privately owned automobiles for the transportation of nonresident insane may be reimbursed as authorized by the Act of June 9, 1949 (63 Stat. 166), but not to exceed \$900 for any one individual.

5 USC 835 note.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Department of Corrections, including subsistence of interns; compensation of consulting physicians, dentists, and other specialists at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners; attendance of guards at pistol and rifle matches; repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds; purchase of motorbuses; support, maintenance, and transportation of prisoners transferred from the District of Columbia; interment or transporting the remains of deceased prisoners to their relatives or friends in the United States; electrocutions; identifying, pursuing, recapturing (including rewards therefor), and returning to institutions, escaped inmates and parole and conditional-release violators; and returning released prisoners to their residences, or to such other place within the United States as may be authorized by the Director, and the furnishing of suitable clothing, and in the discretion of the Director, an amount of money not to exceed \$30, regardless of length of sentence; \$4,710,000.

PUBLIC WELFARE

Department of Public Welfare, including relief and rehabilitation of indigent residents, maintenance pending transportation of indigent persons, burial of indigent residents of the District of Columbia, temporary care of children while being transferred from place to place, care of women and children in institutions, including those under sectarian control, burial of children dying while beneficiaries under this appropriation, repairs and improvements to buildings and grounds, purchase of passenger motor vehicles, maintenance of a suitable place of detention for children under eighteen years of age arrested by the police on charge of offense against any laws in force in the District of Columbia or committed to the guardianship of the Department of Public Welfare, or held as witnesses or held temporarily, or pending hearing, or otherwise, and male witnesses eighteen years of age or over shall be held at the District of Columbia General Hospital, subsistence in lieu of salary for employment of persons for the purpose of securing training and experience in their future vocations, supervision of students performing voluntary services for the purpose of obtaining training and experience in their future vocations, compensation of consulting physicians and veterinarians at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners, and care of boys committed to the National Training School for Boys by the courts of the District of Columbia under a contract to be made by the Commissioners or their designated agent with the Attorney General at a rate of not to exceed the actual cost for each boy committed, \$10,642,500: *Provided*, That when specifically authorized by the Commissioners this appropriation may be used for visiting any ward of

5 USC 835 note.

the Department of Public Welfare placed outside of the District of Columbia and the States of Virginia and Maryland: *Provided further*, That employees using privately owned automobiles for the transportation of indigent persons or the placing of children may be reimbursed as authorized by the Act of June 9, 1949 (63 Stat. 166), but not to exceed \$900 for any one individual.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Department of Buildings and Grounds, including maintenance of public convenience stations, and \$5,000 exclusively for test borings and soil investigations, \$1,780,000, of which \$29,300 shall be payable from the highway fund.

40 USC 451-458.

All apportionments of appropriations for the use of the Department of Buildings and Grounds in payment of personal services employed on construction work provided for by said appropriations shall be based on an amount not exceeding 4 per centum of a total of not more than \$2,000,000 of appropriations made for such construction projects and not exceeding $3\frac{3}{4}$ per centum of a total of the appropriations in excess of \$2,000,000, and appropriations specifically made in this Act for the preparation of plans and specifications shall be deducted from any allowances authorized under this paragraph: *Provided*, That reimbursements may be made to this fund from appropriations contained in this Act for services rendered other activities of the District government, without reference to fiscal-year limitations on such appropriations: *Provided further*, That this fund shall be available for advance planning subject to subsequent reimbursement from funds loaned by the Administrator of General Services under the provisions of the Act of October 13, 1949 (63 Stat. 841).

OFFICE OF SURVEYOR

Office of Surveyor, \$170,000.

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS

Department of Licenses and Inspections, including the enforcement of the Act requiring the erection of fire escapes on certain buildings and the removal of dangerous or unsafe or insanitary buildings; compensation at rates to be fixed by the Commissioners of members of the unsafe structure and excavation board; maintenance and repairs to markets; purchase of commodities and for personal services in connection with investigation and detection of sales of short weight and measure; \$1,658,000.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

D. C. Code 7-701 to 7-705.

Department of Highways, including minor construction of bridges; rental, purchase, installation, and maintenance of radio services; street lighting, including the installation and maintenance of public lamps, lampposts, street designations, lanterns, and fixtures of all kinds on streets, avenues, roads, alleys, and public spaces to be expended in accordance with the provisions of sections 7 and 8 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1912 (36 Stat. 1008), and with the provisions of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1913 (37 Stat. 181), and other laws applicable thereto; purchase of passenger motor vehicles; \$6,535,000, of which \$3,966,235 shall be payable from the highway fund: *Provided*, That the Commissioners are hereby authorized to purchase and install a

municipal asphalt plant including all auxiliary plant equipment to be paid for from this appropriation.

DEPARTMENT OF VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Department of Vehicles and Traffic (payable from highway fund), including \$26,250 for traffic safety education without reference to any other law; \$200 for membership in the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; refunding collections erroneously covered into the Treasury to the credit of the highway fund during the present and past three fiscal years; \$1,303,000: *Provided*, That no part of this or any other appropriation contained in this Act shall be expended for building, installing, and maintaining streetcar loading platforms and lights of any description employed to distinguish same, except that a permanent type of platform may be constructed from appropriations contained in this Act for street improvements when plans and locations thereof are approved by the Public Utilities Commission and the Director of Vehicles and Traffic and the street-railway company shall after construction maintain, mark, and light the same at its expense: *Provided further*, That the Commissioners are authorized and empowered to pay the purchase price and the cost of installation of new parking meters or devices from fees collected from such new meters or devices, which fees are hereby appropriated for such purpose: *Provided further*, That hereafter the Commissioners are authorized and directed to designate, reserve, and properly mark appropriate and sufficient parking spaces on the streets adjacent to all public buildings in the District for the use of Members of Congress engaged on public business: *Provided further*, That this appropriation shall not be available for refunds authorized by section 10 of the Act of April 23, 1924.

43 Stat. 108.
D. C. Code 47-
1910.

MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING AGENCY

Motor Vehicle Parking Agency (payable from motor vehicle parking fund), including installation and maintenance of parking meters, \$295,000.

DEPARTMENT OF SANITARY ENGINEERING

Department of Sanitary Engineering, including installing and repairing water meters on services to private residences and business places as may not be required to install meters under existing regulations (said meters to remain the property of the District of Columbia), purchase of passenger motor vehicles, purchase of radio equipment when approved by the Director of Highways, refunding of water rents and other water and sewer service charges erroneously paid in the District of Columbia (to be refunded in the manner prescribed by law for the refunding of erroneously paid taxes and to be available for such refunds of payments, made within the present and past three fiscal years), contribution of the District of Columbia to the expenses of the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, repair and maintenance of plants, buildings, and grounds, and fencing of public and private property designated by the Commissioners as public dumps, \$10,896,200, of which \$99,000 shall be payable from the highway fund for cleaning snow and ice from streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and gutters, in the discretion of the Commissioners, \$2,860,270 shall be payable from the water fund, and \$1,577,916 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be available for collecting ashes or miscellaneous refuse from hotels and places of business or from apartment houses of four or more apartments having a central heating system, or from any

building or connected group of buildings operated as a rooming, boarding, or lodging house having a total of more than twenty-five rooms.

WASHINGTON AQUEDUCT

Washington Aqueduct (payable from the water fund), for the operation, maintenance, repair, and protection of Washington water supply facilities and their accessories, and maintenance of MacArthur Boulevard; including replacement and maintenance of water meters on Federal services; purchase of two passenger motor vehicles; and fluoridation of water, \$2,137,000: *Provided*, That transfer of appropriations for operating expenses and capital outlay may be made between the Department of Sanitary Engineering of the District of Columbia and the Washington Aqueduct upon mutual agreement of the Commissioners and the Secretary of the Army.

Nothing herein shall be construed as affecting the superintendence and control of the Secretary of the Army over the Washington Aqueduct, its rights, appurtenances, and fixtures connected with the same, and over appropriations and expenditures therefor as now provided by law.

NATIONAL GUARD

National Guard of the District of Columbia, including attendance at meetings of associations pertaining to the National Guard; expenses of camps, and for the payment of commutation of subsistence for enlisted men who may be detailed to guard or move the United States property at home stations on days immediately preceding and immediately following the annual encampment; reimbursement to the United States for loss of property for which the District of Columbia may be held responsible; cleaning and repairing uniforms, arms, and equipment; instruction, purchase, and maintenance of athletic, gymnastic, and recreational equipment at armory or field encampments; practice marches, drills, and parades; rents of armories, drill halls, and storehouses; advertising incident to recruiting; care and repair of armories, offices, storehouses, machinery, and dock, including dredging alongside of dock; alterations and additions to present structures; construction of buildings for storage and other purposes; \$136,500.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PARKS

National Capital Parks, including maintenance, care, and improvement of public parks, grounds, fountains, and reservations, propagating gardens and greenhouses, and the tourists' camp on its present site in East Potomac Park under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service; placing and maintaining portions of the parks in condition for outdoor sports, erection of stands, furnishing and placing of chairs, and services incident thereto in connection with national, patriotic, civic, and recreational functions held in the parks, including the President's Cup Regatta, and expenses incident to the conducting of band concerts in the parks; such expenses to include pay and allowances of the United States Park Police force; per diem employees at rates of pay approved by the Secretary of the Interior, not exceeding current rates of pay for similar employment in the District of Columbia; uniforming and equipping the United States Park Police force; the purchase, issue, operation, maintenance, repair, exchange, and storage of revolvers, uniforms, ammunition, and radio equipment and the rental of teletype service; and the purchase of

passenger motor vehicles, bicycles, motorcycles, and self-propelled machinery; the hire of draft animals, with or without drivers at local rates approved by the Secretary of the Interior; the purchase and maintenance of draft animals, harness, and wagons; \$2,535,000, of which \$25,000 shall be payable from the highway fund: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$15,000 of the amount herein appropriated may be expended for the erection of minor auxiliary structures: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under or transferred to this head for services rendered by the National Park Service shall be advanced to said service and shall be credited as a repayment and maintained in a special account. The amounts so advanced will be available for the objects specified herein or in the appropriation from which such funds are transferred, any unexpended balance to be returned to the appropriation concerned not later than two full fiscal years after the close of the current fiscal year.

NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK

National Zoological Park, including erecting and repairing buildings; care and improvement of grounds; travel, including travel for the procurement of live specimens; purchase, care, and transportation of specimens; purchase of motorcycles and passenger motor vehicles; revolvers and ammunition; purchase of uniforms and equipment for police, and uniforms for keepers and assistant keepers; \$720,000: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this head shall be advanced to the National Zoological Park and shall be credited as a repayment and maintained in a special account. The amounts so advanced will be available for the objects herein specified, any unexpended balance to be returned to this appropriation not later than two full fiscal years after the close of the current fiscal year.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE

For reimbursement to the United States of funds loaned in compliance with section 4 of the Act of May 29, 1930 (46 Stat. 482), as amended, the Act of May 14, 1948 (62 Stat. 235), and section 108 of the Act of May 18, 1954 (68 Stat. 103), including interest as required thereby, \$394,500, of which \$95,500 shall be payable from the water fund.

D. C. Code 11-103 to 11-105.

D. C. Code 43-1540.

PUBLIC BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Capital outlay, public building construction: For acquisition of public school and motor vehicle safety inspection station sites; preparation of plans and specifications for the following buildings: Senior High School in the vicinity of Congress Heights area Southeast and an elementary school in the vicinity of Texas Avenue and Burns Street Southeast; erection of the following structures, including building improvement and alteration and the treatment of grounds; elementary school in the vicinity of Fifty-sixth and Eads Streets Northeast, new Health School for Crippled Children in the vicinity of 13th and Allison Streets. Northwest, Young Elementary School addition, Eliot Junior High School addition, elementary school in the vicinity of Sixth and Chesapeake Streets Southeast, Paul Junior High School addition, Kenilworth Elementary School addition, and a motor vehicle safety inspection station (including equipment); \$348,900 for purchase of equipment for new school buildings; and permanent improvement of buildings and grounds (including purchase and installation

of furnishings and equipment, elimination of fire hazards, and road construction) of schools, firehouses, hospitals, welfare institutions, and other District of Columbia buildings; to remain available until expended, \$6,221,700 of which \$3,160,700 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1957, and \$600,000 shall be payable from the highway fund, and \$381,000 shall be available for construction services by the Director of Buildings and Grounds or by contract for architectural engineering services, as may be determined by the Commissioners, and the funds for the use of the Director of Buildings and Grounds shall be advanced to the appropriation account, "Construction Services, Department of Buildings and Grounds": *Provided*, That the unexpended balances of the amounts appropriated in prior fiscal years under "Capital outlay, miscellaneous", may be transferred to this account for use for the same purposes as appropriated.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Capital outlay, Department of Highways: For expenses necessary for the grading, surfacing, paving, repaving, widening, altering, purchase and installation of traffic lights, and otherwise improving streets, avenues, roads, and alleys, including curbing and gutters, directional and pedestrian islands at various intersections to permit proper traffic light control and channelization of traffic, drainage structures, culverts, suitable connections to storm water sewer system, retaining walls, replacement and relocation of sewers, water mains, fire hydrants, traffic lights, street lights, fire-alarm boxes, police-patrol boxes, and curb-line trees, when necessary, Federal-aid highway projects under section 1 (b) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, and highway structure projects financed wholly from the highway fund upon the approval of plans for such structures by the Commissioners; for carrying out the provisions of existing laws which authorize the Commissioners to open, extend, straighten, or widen streets, avenues, roads, or highways, in accordance with the plan of the permanent system of highways for the District of Columbia, and alleys and minor streets, and for the establishment of building lines in the District of Columbia, including the procurement of chains of title; and for assessment and permit work, paving of roadways under the permit system, and construction of sidewalks and curbs around public reservations and municipal and United States buildings, including purchase or condemnation of streets, roads, and alleys, including the purchase of property and improvements from the National Capital Housing Authority in the vicinity of the East Capitol Street Bridge facility, and of areas less than two hundred and fifty feet square at the intersection of streets, avenues, or roads in the District of Columbia, to be selected by the Commissioners; placing underground, relocating, and extending the telephone, police-patrol and fire-alarm cable and circuit distribution systems; installing and extending radio systems; and purchase of lampposts, street designations, and fixtures of all kinds; to remain available until expended, \$14,528,000, of which \$14,128,000 shall be payable from the highway fund: *Provided*, That in connection with the purchase and installation of a municipal asphalt plant on District-owned property the Commissioners are authorized to make expenditures from this appropriation for the preparation of the site, including the construction of seawalls, dock facilities, and a railroad siding: *Provided further*, That in connection with the highway-planning survey, involving surveys, plans, engineering, and economic investigations of projects for future construction in the District of Columbia, as provided for under section 10 of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, and in connection with the

52 Stat. 633.
23 USC 41b.

53 Stat. 1066.

construction of Federal-aid highway projects under section 1 (b) of said Act, and highway-structure projects financed wholly from the highway fund, this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for the employment of engineering or other professional services by contract or otherwise, and without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes and the civil-service and classification laws, and section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and for engineering and incidental expenses: *Provided further*, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for the construction and repair of pavements of street railways, in accordance with the provisions of the Merger Act (47 Stat. 752), and the proportion of the amount thus expended which under the terms of the said Act is required to be paid by the street-railway company shall be collected, upon the neglect or the refusal of such street-railway company to make such payment, from the said street-railway company in the manner provided by section 5 of the Act of June 11, 1878, and shall be deposited to the credit of the appropriation for the fiscal year in which it is collected: *Provided further*, That in connection with projects to be undertaken as Federal-aid projects under the provisions of the Federal Aid Highway Act of December 20, 1944, as amended, the Commissioners are authorized to enter into contract or contracts for those projects in such amounts as shall be approved by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce: *Provided further*, That the Commissioners are hereby authorized to construct grade-crossing elimination and other wholly District construction projects or those authorized under section 8 of the Act of June 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 1521), and section 1 (b) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1938, as amended, in accordance with the provisions of said Acts, and this appropriation may be used for payment to contractors and other expenses in connection with the expenses of surveys, design, construction, and inspection pending reimbursement to the District of Columbia by the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, or other parties participating in such projects, reimbursement to be credited to the appropriation from which payment was made: *Provided further*, That the Commissioners are authorized to fix or alter the respective widths of sidewalks and roadways (including tree spaces and parking) of all highways that may be improved under appropriations contained in this Act: *Provided further*, That no appropriation in this Act shall be available for repairing, resurfacing, or paving any street, avenue, or roadway by private contract unless the specifications for such work shall be so prepared as to permit of fair and open competition in paving materials as well as in price: *Provided further*, That in addition to the provision of existing law requiring contractors to keep new pavements in repair for a period of one year from the date of the completion of the work, the Commissioners shall further require that where repairs are necessary during the four years following the said one-year period, due to inferior work or defective materials, such repairs shall be made at the expense of the contractor, and the bond furnished by the contractor shall be liable for such expense: *Provided further*, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Highways" shall be available for advance payments to Federal agencies for work to be performed, when ordered by the Commissioners, subject to subsequent adjustment.

52 Stat. 633.
23 USC 41b.

41 USC 5.

60 Stat. 810.

D. C. Code 7-604
note.

20 Stat. 106.
D. C. Code 7-604.

58 Stat. 838.
23 USC 60-63.

23 USC 24a.
52 Stat. 633.
23 USC 41b.

DEPARTMENT OF SANITARY ENGINEERING

Capital outlay, Department of Sanitary Engineering: For construction of sewers and extension of the District of Columbia water-distribution system; assessment and permit work; purchase or condemnation of lands and rights-of-way for construction, maintenance, and repair of sewers, water mains, and Sewage Treatment Plant; continuing construction on aeration plant and secondary sedimentation tanks, reconstruction, enlargement, rehabilitation, major repair and replacement of grit removal, sludge digestion, heating and other existing equipment and facilities; rehabilitation and replacement of screening and flow control facilities at the main sewerage pumping station; laying water mains and sewers in advance of paving and installing fire and public hydrants; constructing trunk water mains and low service reservoir in Brentwood Park; to remain available until expended, \$10,068,000, of which \$1,200,000 shall not become available for expenditure until July 1, 1957, and \$4,610,000 shall be payable from the water fund, and \$5,458,000 shall be payable from the sanitary sewage works fund: *Provided*, That this appropriation and the appropriation "Operating expenses, Department of Sanitary Engineering" shall be available for the employment of engineering or other professional services by contract or otherwise, and for engineering and incidental expenses.

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell United States securities now held for and on account of the water fund of the District of Columbia in such amounts as may be certified by the Commissioners as necessary and credit the proceeds of such sale to said water fund.

WASHINGTON AQUEDUCT

Capital outlay, Washington Aqueduct (payable from water fund): For continuing construction of Little Falls pumping station, dam and rising tunnel; continuing construction of Dalecarlia filter and chemical buildings; beginning construction of flocculation-sedimentation basin at Dalecarlia; miscellaneous betterments, replacements, and engineering planning of water supply facilities, including continuing raw-water conduit rehabilitation, utility relocations, and plant system rearrangements and interconnections; Georgetown conduit metering installation; acquisition by gift, exchange, purchase, or condemnation of supplementary land; and for developing increased water supply for the District of Columbia and environs in accordance with House Document 480, Seventy-ninth Congress, second session; and necessary expenses incident thereto; including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), but at rates for individual consultants not in excess of \$150 per diem; to remain available until expended, \$3,500,000.

60 Stat. 810.

REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATIONS

The following appropriation is hereby reduced in the sum herein-after set forth, such sum to be covered into the general fund of the District of Columbia: Capital outlay, public building construction, for new tuberculosis building at the District of Columbia General Hospital, including equipment (Act of July 1, 1954), \$2,600,000.

68 Stat. 389.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Vouchers.

SEC. 2. Except as otherwise provided herein, all vouchers covering expenditures of appropriations contained in this Act shall be audited before payment by or under the jurisdiction only of the accounting

officer for the District of Columbia and the vouchers as approved shall be paid by checks issued by the Disbursing Officer without countersignature.

SEC. 3. From and after July 1, 1956, the provisions of Public Law 330, Eighty-fourth Congress, approved August 9, 1955, shall be applicable to the government of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 4. Whenever in this Act an amount is specified within an appropriation for particular purposes or object of expenditure, such amount, unless otherwise specified, shall be considered as the maximum amount which may be expended for said purpose or object rather than an amount set apart exclusively therefor.

SEC. 5. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized or approved by the Commissioners, for allowances for privately owned automobiles used for the performance of official duties at 7 cents per mile but not to exceed \$22 a month for each automobile, unless otherwise therein specifically provided, except that fifty-two such allowances at not more than \$360 each per annum may be authorized or approved by the Commissioners.

SEC. 6. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for the payment of dues and expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the work of the District of Columbia government, when authorized by the Commissioners: *Provided*, That the total expenditures for this purpose shall not exceed \$25,000.

SEC. 7. Hereafter the Commissioners are authorized in their discretion to invest and reinvest at any time in United States Government securities, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, any part of the general, special, or trust funds, of the District of Columbia, not needed to meet current expenses, to deposit the interest accruing from such investments to the credit of the fund from which the investment was made, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell or exchange such securities for other Government securities, and deposit the proceeds to the credit of the appropriate fund.

SEC. 8. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized by the Commissioners, for services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a).

SEC. 9. The disbursing officer of the District of Columbia is authorized to advance to such officials as may be designated by the Commissioners upon requisitions previously approved by the accounting officer of the District of Columbia such amounts and for such purposes as the Commissioners may determine.

SEC. 10. Appropriations in this Act shall not be used for or in connection with the preparation, issuance, publication, or enforcement of any regulation or order of the Public Utilities Commission requiring the installation of meters in taxicabs, or for or in connection with the licensing of any vehicle to be operated as a taxicab except for operation in accordance with such system of uniform zones and rates and regulations applicable thereto as shall have been prescribed by the Public Utilities Commission.

SEC. 11. Appropriations in this Act shall not be available for the payment of rates for electric current for street lighting in excess of those authorized to be paid in the fiscal year 1927, and payment for electric current for new forms of street lighting shall not exceed 2 cents per kilowatt-hour for current consumed.

SEC. 12. All motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles (including watercraft) owned by the District of Columbia shall be operated and utilized in conformity with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 77, 78), and shall be under the direction and control of the Commissioners, who may from time to time alter or change the assignment for use thereof, or direct the alteration or interchangeable

Strikes or overthrow of Government.
69 Stat. 624.
5 USC 118p.
Maximum amount.

Automobile allowances.

Attendance at meetings.

Investment in U. S. securities.

Services.

60 Stat. §10.
Advances of money.

Restrictions.

Passenger vehicles.

60 Stat. §10.

use of any of the same by officers and employees of the District, except as otherwise provided in this Act. "Official purposes" shall not apply to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia or in cases of officers and employees the character of whose duties makes such transportation necessary, but only as to such latter cases when the same is approved by the Commissioners. No motor vehicles shall be transferred from the police or fire departments to any other branch of the government of the District of Columbia.

Snow removal.

SEC. 13. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Highways and the Department of Sanitary Engineering shall be available for snow and ice control work when ordered by the Commissioners in writing.

SEC. 14. All funds (including existing unexpended balances and income from investments) derived from the action of any board, commission, or committee for which appropriations are provided herein, shall be deposited to the general revenues of the District of Columbia.

SEC. 15. Appropriations in this Act shall be available, when authorized by the Commissioners, for the rental of quarters without reference to section 6 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1945.

58 Stat. 532.

Uniforms.

SEC. 16. Appropriations in this Act shall be available for the furnishing of uniforms when authorized by the Commissioners.

Short title.

SEC. 17. This Act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1957."

Approved June 29, 1956.

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CHAPTER 487

AN ACT

July 2, 1956
[S. 2771]

To authorize the Secretary of Defense to lend certain Army, Navy, and Air Force equipment and provide certain services to the Boy Scouts of America for use at the Fourth National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

Boy Scouts of
America,
Armed Forces
equipment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of Defense is hereby authorized, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to lend to the Boy Scouts of America, a corporation created under the Act of June 15, 1916, for the use and accommodation of the approximately fifty thousand Scouts and officials who are to attend the Fourth National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America to be held as a part of the national program "Onward for God and My Country" during the period beginning in June 1957, and ending in July 1957, at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, such tents, cots, blankets, commissary equipment, flags, refrigerators, and other equipment and services as may be necessary or useful to the extent that items are in stock and available and their issue will not jeopardize the national defense program.

(b) Such equipment is authorized to be delivered at such time prior to the holding of such jamboree, and to be returned at such time after the close of such jamboree, as may be agreed upon by the Secretary of Defense and the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. No expense shall be incurred by the United States Government for the delivery, return, rehabilitation, or replacement of such equipment.

Bond.

(c) The Secretary of Defense, before delivering such property, shall take from the Boy Scouts of America a good and sufficient bond for the safe return of such property in good order and condition, and the whole without expense to the United States.

Approved July 2, 1956.